

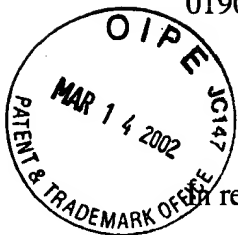
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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Re Application of:

Terry HERMANSON

Application No.: 09/862,585

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For: MOUNT FOR ATTACHING AN
ORNAMENT TO A TREE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated December 14, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be entered and considered in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute paragraph [0019], with the following paragraph. A marked-up copy of this paragraph, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.

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-[0019] The mount 1 may have length sufficient to permit the proximal end 11 to contact the base on which the tree and a conventional tree stand are supported. Alternatively, if the crowning ornament does not require such support, the mount may be secured to the tree, as described below, without reaching the base.